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Thanks

- .. To those who dropped by to support our team athletics day.
- .. To those who supported our year 7 and 8 interschool athletics team.
- .. To the parents of year 8 children who have helped out with the purchase of leaving books.
- .. To our garden judges Ruth and Clinton Telfer and Edith McCaw.
- .. To our art judges Maree and Rowan Clements.
- .. To our Bible in Schools teachers for their diligent service over the course of 2014.

People of the week

- .. our spelling bee winners ... more at prize giving
- .. those children who lasted the distance and made their gardens available for viewing and judging last weekend.
- .. every child who entered an art portfolio in our recent competition.

Congratulations

- .. Tyrone Feed who recently broke the year 7 boys shotput record ... 10.90 metres (previous record 9.39 metres set in 2010). Well done Tyrone!

Term Events

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| 10 December | Prize Giving (pp 15.12) |
| 11 December | Reports issued |
| 12 December | 2015 class lists on display on hall notice board |
| 16 December | Final school day for 2014 |
| 2 February | First day of the 2015 school year |

School Disco - Years 4-8

Starts 7:00 PM tonight in the school hall. Children are asked to bring a \$2 gold coin to assist with costs and a plate of food for a shared supper. No theme this time round.

Parents are asked to pick their children up by 8:45 please.

2014 Prize Giving Parents and Extended Family

Please keep the evening of Wednesday 10th December free for our annual prize giving.

The evening will start at 7:00pm and will conclude approx 8.30pm with a supper.

Grandparents are welcome.

Families are asked to bring two plates please for a shared supper
 – to be placed on tables which will (hopefully) be set up in the hall.

Attendance on this night is quite optional for 5 year olds
 (all other children are asked to be present please).

**A reminder that, if weather necessitates prize giving will be held 7:00 PM
 Monday 15 December.**

End of Year Prizegiving - Pre-schoolers

.. if we proceed with an outdoor prizegiving (**weather permitting**) we ask that parents of pre-schoolers supervise their children closely to ensure that the children on the stage are properly acknowledged. **Please ensure pre-schoolers do not play on the nearby junior playground.** We will set up some DVDs in the library in case some time out is needed.

Early Finish

Please note that school finishes at mid-day on the final day of school Tuesday 16 December. All buses will run approximately 3 hours early ... please allow some variation on drop off / pick up time due to unpredictable loadings. Parents who pick their children up from school are asked to do so at mid-day please.

Prizegiving

Please pencil in 10 December for prizegiving (pp 15.12)... getting underway 7:00 PM. As is our custom we will have a little present for each student ... as well as for pre-schoolers. **If you intend bringing your pre-schooler to prizegiving please give Donna a call next week.**

Interschool Athletics Results

Congratulations to the following children who achieved placings at the Interschool Athletics Competition:

Year 5 Girls	High Jump	Jynaia Hewson	1 st
Year 5 Boys	Discus	Kaleb Voss	3 rd
Year 6 Girls	Long Jump	Emily Darroch	3 rd
Year 6 boys	Discus	Michael Oosthuizen	2 nd

Junior spelling Bee Results

Congratulations to the following children:

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Year 1	Finn McKenzie	Luke O'Donnell	Tayla Bennett
Year 2	Caprese Newnham	Morgan Curran	David Culham
Year 3	Nathaniel Watson	Che Johnson	Charlee Leith

Lost Property

Please drop by to check the lost property bin sometime over the next couple of weeks. Items unclaimed by term's end will be donated to charities.

Junior readers

If you have readers at home please get these to school on Monday as we will be doing a stocktake. Please check under beds, in the bottom of schoolbags etc. It is important that all books are returned so we have complete sets.

Year 3 Portfolios

Very soon Portfolio's for Year 3's will be sent home. These are not required to be returned as new ones will be issued at the beginning of Year 4 and will remain with them until Year 8.

2015 School Stationery

As for 2014, stationery will need to be ordered online via the OfficeMax website - www.myschool.co.nz



Search for Matarau School and then your child's class. You will find complete class stationery lists with unit prices. Again as for 2014, the school has passed on its reward points to families (who purchase online), gaining you a further 10% cost advantage (possibly still the only school in NZ that does this). Orders can be placed across the holidays for delivery before school starts. A brochure will be sent home shortly explaining the process. If you do not have internet access please contact Helen for a printed list.

Leaving Books

A number of Year 8 students have still to submit their leaving books. As these need to be prepared for prize giving please get these to school no later than this coming Monday.

Wanted!!

Room 7 require clean, empty baby formula tins and black or red spray paint for their technology group. If you can help this would be most appreciated. Thank you.

Parent Helpers' Morning Tea

Parents who have assisted the school in any way whatsoever this year are invited to a Parent Helpers' Morning Tea in the school hall starting 10:30 AM Tuesday 9 December. This is our chance to say thank you for the contributions you have made to the school over 2014. So .. whether you have helped in classrooms, the library, camps, day trips, Bible in schools .. whatever .. please join us if you can. **If you think you will be at this morning tea, and you have not already done so, can you please advise Helen next week to assist us with catering.**

Matarau Whanau Picnic – Saturday 13th December

Any families wishing to celebrate the end of the school year are welcome to join us at Whangamumu Bay/Wellingtons Bay. It is also a great opportunity for new families to get to know one another. For further details of this event join Matarau Whanau Facebook Page.

Reports

Reports will be issued 11 December. The report contains statements on your child's effort and attainment in key learning areas and with respect to their social skills and work habits. These statements are summative – meaning that they have been formed after consulting multiple sources of information gathered over the course of the year. They also incorporate teacher judgements based on literally thousands of interactions with your child over the course of the year. Although this report is principally for you, please feel free to share it with your child. Draw attention to their successes and perhaps identify some areas for future focus.

Finally, remember that no single method of reporting should stand alone. Impressions need to be weighed against those from other methods of reporting including early and mid-year interviews, portfolios, student achievement data and so forth. Please congratulate your child on our behalf for the gains they have made.

Senior School Camp 2015

Permission slips were sent home today. There will be a meeting in the Staffroom on Monday 15th December at 6.30pm (if prizegiving is not postponed) for all interested parents. Along with permission slip, a letter regarding senior school shirts has been sent home. Please return these by Monday 15th December so the shirts can be ready in time for camp. Thank you.

Hopscotch For Kids- after school care - is seeking expressions of interest from Matarau School for Term 1 2015. They will meet and transport kids from Matarau School and back to their Kensington base. Afternoon tea and support with homework is provided. Children are accompanied to and from their chosen activity or (run activities from their Kensington base) until you are able to collect them before 5.45pm. For further information phone Wendy on 021733186 or Abbey on 0212372598 or email hello@hopscotchforkids.co.nz.

Finally .. Prizegiving ... how you can help!

A great deal of thought goes into which children cross the stage on prize giving night. We have comprehensive diagnostic records, and these are trawled for top achievers, ensuring the acknowledgements go to where they are most deserved. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to these children for setting a standard that we can all strive towards. These children remind us that it is cool to do well, that hard work pays off and that (for most of us) nothing comes without effort.

So ... your job description on the night is the same as mine ... to make each child's moment on the stage a special one, and to celebrate the achievements of every child called to the front. If you see a child with a cup or a certificate after prize giving, shake their hand and tell them how proud you are of them. On prize giving night they, and their achievements, belong to us all.

Congratulations in advance to these children and to their parents. See you on the night!

A reminder please to ensure that pre-schoolers do not play on the nearby junior playground. We will set up some DVDs in the library in case some time out is needed.

Regards
Kevin Trehwella
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School Fundraising

Term Four

It's been a very busy term for fundraising. We do so appreciate all your support towards fundraising for our children. All outstanding monies to be returned to the Office ASAP.

Chocolates: I would like to thank all the families that took part in the Cadbury Chocolate fundraiser. Thank you to Lisa Smith-Potter for your time for this fundraising event.

Catering: On Tuesday we catered for a group of 50 people at the Fonterra Farm. Thank you to all the families that provided food and donated towards this event. A big shout out to Lisa Smith-Potter, Lisa Clements, Paula Powell, Joy McNeil, Deina Payne for your help on this day. We received great feedback and we have been asked to cater for this group again next year.

Matarau School Cookbook: A huge number of Matarau parents have kindly contributed their favourite recipes towards the 2014 Matarau School Cookbook! Produced as a fundraiser for the school, the Cookbook has over 60 pages of fabulous recipes for us all to enjoy. You can order the cookbooks with the attached form, and they will be on sale at Prizegiving Night on Wednesday 10th December. Cookbooks are only \$20 each and are a lovely Christmas gift for friends and family.

Upcoming Event

Having a clean out!! Save it all for our Gala next year!! Early next year we are looking at hosting a Matarau School Gala. Your support would be greatly appreciated for this massive school fundraising event. We will be looking at having stalls for cakes, books, baby/toddler gear, food, plants, candy, white elephant, adult clothes, arts and crafts and lots more. We would like to have a big kid's entertaining area with dunking booth, pony rides, water slide, bobbing apples and lots more. If you are having a household clean out over the holidays please consider us for your pre-loved stuff. If you have any ideas, contacts or time to help then I'd love to hear from you, just email me on lisa.jones@hotmail.com.



Community Notices

For Sale – Eggs, \$5.00 per dozen or \$3 per ½ dozen. Ph or text Helen 02102328094

For Sale – 2 Boys High School Jumpers, \$30 ea. Ph or text Helen 02102328094

For Rent – 3 brm house, double garage, free standing wood fire, close to Matarau School. \$300pw, available late Jan/early Feb. Ph Donna 0272202665.

Wanted - Paddock Rocks - We are looking for paddock rocks for our gardens. We live in Matarau, but have one of the only properties without rocks! If anyone would like rocks removed from paddocks, give contact Renee Montgomery 0272595233 hughrenee@hotmail.com

"Baby Bag/Play Mat - Grab 'n Go makes mums life a bit easier. Visit www.grabngo.co.nz and buy your Christmas Present now.

Peggy Star - Kids Helping Kids – Rylee Dodd's would like to know if you can help with her charity. Knitted peggy square blankets for kids in need at Starship. Peggystar.kids@gmail.com or check us out on facebook.

Free Holiday Programme - Register now for the opportunity of your child/ren to attend a FREE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME these coming holidays. *Proudly sponsored by the Ministry of Social Development.* One Week holiday programme - Monday to Friday - 9.00am to 1.00pm. 5 Different Weeks to choose from - Week 1 Dec 15th - 19th, Week 2 Jan 5th - 9th, Week 3 Jan 12th - 16th; Week 4 Jan 19th - 23th; Week 5 Jan 27th - 30th. Run from the Whangarei Intermediate School Hall. Children Aged 8 to 14 years old. Sports, Bootcamp, Arts and Crafts, Hip Hop Dancing, Whangarei Aquatic Centre.

Costs: Everything FREE. To register call 09-4596909 and leave your details on the answer phone; name, phone number and week you wish your child/ren to attend. Or email info@hardcoredance.co.nz **We will get back to you to confirm your registration.** Register now...limited spaces.

Hurupaki Educare - Pre Christmas 2014 and January Holiday Programme 2015 - open pre Christmas from Thursday 18th to Wednesday 24th December 2014 and again on Monday 5th January 2015 for 4 weeks. 8.00am to 5.30pm, based in the Hurupaki School Hall. Activities include trips to ten pin bowling, movies x 2, trips to Reotahi and Whale Bay, along with other action packed days. OSCAR accredited, families can apply for WINZ assistance – conditions apply. Discounts available for two or more children from the one family. To view and download forms go to www.schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz or contact Christin on 0274-821331 or info@schoolholidayprogrammes.co.nz for more information.

All Stars-Kids in Action OSCAR school holiday programme - December 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th; January Monday 12th -Friday 16th; January Monday 19th -Friday 23rd; January Tuesday 27th -Friday 30th, Raumanga (The Pulse) 8.00am-5.30pm, \$35.00per day, 5-14 years. For further information visit our website: www.kidsinaction.co.nz or contact Paul on 021951925. Spaces are limited.

School contribution / ipads etc ... Year 4 to 8 students only

Boards of Trustees around the country (in fact schools globally), are wrestling with the challenging question of how they meet the demands of the digital age. No matter where we position ourselves on this matter, there are three indisputable facts, digital technologies are becoming a bigger and bigger part of learning (in fact of life), this costs money (quite a bit of money), school communities, by and large, will have to fund this themselves. You may know that many schools have gone BYOD, these schools generally require parents to purchase a device for their children for use at school. We are mindful of the cost of this to families. After careful consideration of a way forward, and as a result of feedback from parents, our board has decided to share the burden and reduce costs to parents as much as possible. At the same time, we want to give you the choice of which option best fits your philosophy or circumstance. Consequently, the following approach will be taken in 2015.

1. A significant proportion of the school contribution will be dedicated to the purchase of suitable digital technologies for use at school.
2. Parents will be given **the option of paying a school contribution of \$150 per student per year**. This increased amount will be, in large part, used to increase the number of devices available at school, meaning children get greater access to these devices. These devices will be for use at school only.
3. Parents **may alternatively opt to pay the current school contribution of \$100 per student and agree to purchase a specified device(s) for their child(ren)**. The children would bring this device to school each day, and would take it home at the end of the day for use at home. It can be used for homework and other purposes. This option would mean that the school would, in a sense, be making an around 50% contribution to the purchase cost (over the life of the device). These devices would be the property of the purchaser, who would own the warranty and be responsible for its care. We are aware that some parents are considering ipads as Christmas presents (your call of course), and so we have tried to get this to you as early as possible.

We have negotiated a special price through Noel Leeming for those parents who wish to purchase ipads. Should you wish to take advantage of this offer, please present the special offer (overleaf) at the store sometime in the period 29 November to 31 December.

There is no doubt that the right technologies, used the right way, have real potential to add value to your child's schooling.

Thank you, in anticipation, for your support.

**Kind Regards
Board of Trustees**

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